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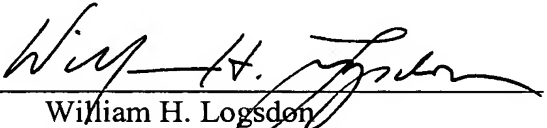
The specification amendments have been made in order to conform this patent application to customary United States patent practice.

Original claims 1-20 have been cancelled and rewritten as claims 21-40 in order to eliminate the multiple dependencies and to conform them to standard United States patent practice.

Examination and allowance of pending claims 21-40 are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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FIBRE-OPTIC PLUG-IN CONNECTOR SYSTEM**ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The invention relates to a fiber-optic plug-in connector system having an adapter, in addition to individual optical plug-in connectors, in which a respective optical fiber terminates in a ferrule and which can be respectively inserted into the adapter from two opposing sides to produce an optical connection between the ends of two optical fibers. According to the invention, the adapter has a plurality of parallel guide sheaths, which are located next to one another in an adapter housing and into which the optical plug-in connectors having their ferrules can be inserted from both sides. To achieve an extremely simple, space-saving construction for a plug-in connector system of this type, the adapter housing includes several separate, interconnectable parts, between which the guide sheaths are held with a degree of play.